REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4 – 9 and 11 - 20 remain pending in the present case.

RESPONSE TO ARGUMENTS

The present Office Action acknowledges the Goldman reference is not relied upon to teach receiving a request for an authorization to forward an electronic mail message. The present Office Action alleges the Kaminski reference is used for such. Applicant thanks the Examiner for clarifying which references are relied upon for which teachings. Applicant respectfully re-presents arguments below. The present Office Action alleges the Applicant attacked the references individually. Applicant respectfully disagrees and respectfully asserts that Applicant argued the present invention is neither shown nor suggested by the Kaminski et al. and Goldman references alone or *together in combination* and the Goldman reference does *not overcome these and other* shortcomings of the Kaminski et al. reference.

103 REJECTIONS

The present Office Action rejects Claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Kaminski et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2005/0044155A1) in view of Goldman (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0233418A1). Applicant respectfully asserts that

the present invention is neither shown nor suggested by the Kaminski et al. and Goldman references alone or together in combination.

To the extent the Kaminski et al. reference may mention a positive response is sent back to Adam's mail client to indicate the successful completion of the authorization [00367 lines 10 -12], Applicant respectfully asserts the Kaminski et al. reference does not teach a response to the said request for authorization *includes* an *authorization indicator* that *indicates* a *source of the request* for authorization. The present Office Action [bottom of page 3 of present Office Action] alleges the Kaminski et al. reference teaches an authorization indicator[00367 lines 10 -12]. Again, to the extent the Kaminski et al. reference may mention a positive response is sent [00367 lines 10 -12], Applicant respectfully asserts the Kaminski et al. reference does not teach an *authorization indicator* that *indicates* a *source of the request* for authorization.

The present Office Action acknowledges the Kaminski et al. reference does not teach verifying the source address included in the received electronic message against the address the authorization indicator is sent to. Applicant respectfully asserts the Goldman reference does not overcome these and other shortcomings of the Kaminski et al. reference. To the extent the Goldman

reference may mention *sending* a *request* to a manager of a domain or a purported sender [0063 line 3], Applicant respectfully asserts the Goldman reference does not teach handling *receipt* of the *electronic mail message,* including verifying a source address *included* in the received *electronic mail message* against an address the authorization indicator is sent to. In addition, to the extent the Goldman reference may mention sending to *a manager* of the *domain* and the *manager* can verify whether the purported sender's address is a *valid domain* address [Paragraph 63], Applicant respectfully asserts the Goldman reference does not teach including verifying a source address included in the received electronic message against an address *the authorization indicator is sent to.* In addition, to the extent the Goldman reference may mention a *data structure* has fields and an authorized category [paragraph 44], Applicant respectfully asserts the Goldman reference *does not teach* an *authorization indicator is sent,* and therefore Applicant respectfully assert the Goldman reference can not teach verifying source address against an address *the authorization indicator is sent to.*

The present Office Action rejects claims 11 and 17 for the same reasons as Claim 1. To the extent Claims 11 and 17 are similar to Claim 1, Applicant respectfully asserts Claims 11 and 17 are allowable for similar rationale to the arguments presented above.

With respect to Claim 11, to the extent the Goldman reference may mention *a manager* can verify whether the purported sender's address is a *valid domain* address [Paragraph 63], Applicant respectfully asserts the Goldman reference does not teach verifying an address of a source included in an unsolicited electronic message against an address an *authorization indicator is sent to*.

With respect to Claim 17, to the extent the Goldman reference may mention *a manager* can verify whether the purported sender's address is a *valid domain* address [Paragraph 63], Applicant respectfully asserts the Goldman reference does not teach *forwarding* an unsolicited electronic message *with* said verification indication to an address said verification indication was sent from.

Applicant respectfully asserts Claims 2 – 9, 12 – 16 and 18 – 20 are allowable as depending from allowable independent Claims 1, 11 and 17 respectively.
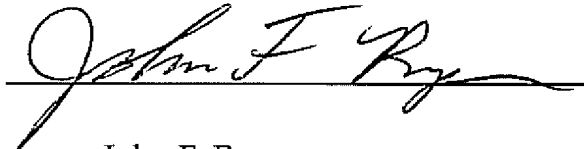
CONCLUSION

In light of the above-listed amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully request allowance of the remaining Claims. The examiner is urged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application. Applicant believes no extension of time is necessary. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore. Please charge and additional fees or apply any credits to our PTO deposit account number: 50-4160.

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